

REMARKS

By this amendment, a typographical error was corrected in the specification and Claim 1 has been canceled and Claims 2-41 have been added. It is respectfully submitted that the corrections to the specification and new claims do not add any new matter to this application.

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"MARKED UP" VERSION OF REPLACEMENT SECTION

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FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a receiver 200 for processing received data  $[z]y(t)$  202 from communications channel 106 according to an embodiment of the invention. As with the conventional arrangement 100 of FIG. 1, received data  $y(t)$  202, obtained from communications channel 106, is the sum of the output of communications channel 106  $x(t)$  and an additive noise signal  $w(t)$ . The received data  $y(t)$  202 is processed by a differential amplifier 204, one or more receive filters 206 and an analog-to-digital converter 208 to produce a sampled signal  $y(n)$ , where  $n$  is the sample number.

#### CLAIMS IN "MARKED UP" FORM

- 1 1. (CANCELED) A method for processing data received from a communications  
2 channel comprising the computer-implemented steps of:  
3 receiving, from the communications channel, received data that is based upon both  
4 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel,  
5 wherein the modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one  
6 or more carriers;  
7 generating sampled data by sampling the received data at a specified rate that satisfies  
8 specified sampling criteria;  
9 generating a filtered observation sequence by processing the sampled data;  
10 generating estimated modulated data by processing the filtered observation sequence  
11 using a recursive filter; and

12 recovering an estimate of the original data by demodulating the estimated modulated  
13 data.

1 2. (NEW) A method for processing data received from a communications channel  
2 comprising the computer-implemented steps of:  
3 receiving, from the communications channel, received data that is based upon both  
4 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel,  
5 wherein the modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one  
6 or more carriers;  
7 equalizing the received data using an equalizer to generate equalized data, wherein  
8 the equalizer uses an algorithm with a set of one or more coefficients selected  
9 to account for a frequency domain response of the equalizer; and  
10 recovering an estimate of the original data by demodulating the equalized data.

1 3. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the set of one or more coefficients  
2 is selected to reduce variations in the frequency domain response of the equalizer.

1 4. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the set of one or more coefficients  
2 is further selected to reduce the distortion introduced by the communications channel.

1 5. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the received data was modulated  
2 using a cyclic prefix and the set of one or more coefficients is selected to ensure that a  
3 combined impulse response of the communications channel and the equalizer is less  
4 than the cyclic prefix.

1 6. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein finite precision arithmetic is  
2 employed in the equalizer to implement the algorithm and the set of one or more

3 coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the use of the  
4 finite precision arithmetic in the equalizer.

1 7. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein the set of one or more coefficients  
2 is determined based upon modeling noise attributable to the round off errors as a  
3 white noise source at an output of the equalizer.

1 8. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the step of demodulating the  
2 equalized data includes the use of finite precision arithmetic and the set of one or  
3 more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the use  
4 of the finite precision arithmetic to demodulate the equalized data.

1 9. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 8, wherein the step of demodulating the  
2 equalized data includes the use of a fast fourier transfer algorithm and the set of one  
3 or more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the  
4 use of the finite precision arithmetic to implement the fast fourier transfer algorithm.

1 10. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the step of equalizing the received  
2 data includes processing the received data using a finite impulse response (FIR) filter.

1 11. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 10, wherein the received data is modulated  
2 using discrete multitone modulation and a set of one or more (FIR) coefficients for  
3 the finite impulse response filter is selected to maximize, in the equalizer, the  
4 numbers of bits used to represent each discrete multitone symbol.

1 12. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the method further comprises  
2 processing the received data using an analog-to-digital converter and the set of one or

3 more coefficients is further selected to account for quantization noise in the analog-  
4 to-digital converter.

1 13. (NEW) The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein the communications channel is a  
2 twisted pair telephone line.

1 14. (NEW) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more sequences of one or more  
2 instructions for processing data received from a communications channel, wherein the  
3 processing of the one or more sequences of one or more instructions by one or more  
4 processors cause the one or more processors to perform the steps of:  
5 receiving, from the communications channel, received data that is based upon both  
6 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel,  
7 wherein the modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one  
8 or more carriers;  
9 equalizing the received data using an equalizer to generate equalized data, wherein  
10 the equalizer uses an algorithm with a set of one or more coefficients selected  
11 to account for a frequency domain response of the equalizer; and  
12 recovering an estimate of the original data by demodulating the equalized data.

1 15. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the set of one  
2 or more coefficients is selected to reduce variations in the frequency domain response  
3 of the equalizer.

1 16. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the set of one  
2 or more coefficients is further selected to reduce the distortion introduced by the  
3 communications channel.

- 1 17. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the received  
2 data was modulated using a cyclic prefix and the set of one or more coefficients is  
3 selected to ensure that a combined impulse response of the communications channel  
4 and the equalizer is less than the cyclic prefix.
- 1 18. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein finite  
2 precision arithmetic is employed in the equalizer to implement the algorithm and the  
3 set of one or more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors  
4 attributable to the use of the finite precision arithmetic in the equalizer.
- 1 19. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 18, wherein the set of one  
2 or more coefficients is determined based upon modeling noise attributable to the  
3 round off errors as a white noise source at an output of the equalizer.
- 1 20. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the step of  
2 demodulating the equalized data includes the use of finite precision arithmetic and the  
3 set of one or more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors  
4 attributable to the use of the finite precision arithmetic to demodulate the equalized  
5 data.
- 1 21. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 20, wherein the step of  
2 demodulating the equalized data includes the use of a fast fourier transfer algorithm  
3 and the set of one or more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors  
4 attributable to the use of the finite precision arithmetic to implement the fast fourier  
5 transfer algorithm.

- 1 22. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the step of  
2 equalizing the received data includes processing the received data using a finite  
3 impulse response (FIR) filter.
- 1 23. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 22, wherein the received  
2 data is modulated using discrete multitone modulation and a set of one or more (FIR)  
3 coefficients for the finite impulse response filter is selected to maximize, in the  
4 equalizer, the numbers of bits used to represent each discrete multitone symbol.
- 1 24. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the  
2 computer-readable medium includes one or more additional instructions which, when  
3 executed by the one or more processors, cause the one or more processors to process  
4 the received data using an analog-to-digital converter and the set of one or more  
5 coefficients is further selected to account for quantization noise in the analog-to-  
6 digital converter.
- 1 25. (NEW) The computer-readable medium as recited in Claim 14, wherein the  
2 communications channel is a twisted pair telephone line.
- 1 26. (NEW) An apparatus for processing data received from a communications channel  
2 comprising:  
3 an equalizer configured to equalize received data from the communications channel  
4 and generate equalized data, wherein the received data is based upon both  
5 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel, and  
6 the modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one or more  
7 carriers, and wherein the equalizer is configured to use an algorithm with a set

8                   of one or more coefficients selected to account for a frequency domain  
9                   response of the equalizer; and  
10                  a demodulator configured to generate an estimate of the original data by  
11                  demodulating the equalized data.

1   27.   (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein the set of one or more  
2           coefficients is selected to reduce variations in the frequency domain response of the  
3           equalizer.

1   28.   (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein the set of one or more  
2           coefficients is further selected to reduce the distortion introduced by the  
3           communications channel.

1   29.   (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein the received data was  
2           modulated using a cyclic prefix and the set of one or more coefficients is selected to  
3           ensure that a combined impulse response of the communications channel and the  
4           equalizer is less than the cyclic prefix.

1   30.   (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein finite precision arithmetic is  
2           employed in the equalizer to implement the algorithm and the set of one or more  
3           coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the use of the  
4           finite precision arithmetic in the equalizer.

1   31.   (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 30, wherein the set of one or more  
2           coefficients is determined based upon modeling noise attributable to the round off  
3           errors as a white noise source at an output of the equalizer.



- 1 32. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein the demodulator is configured  
2 to process the equalized data using finite precision arithmetic and the set of one or  
3 more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the use  
4 of the finite precision arithmetic to demodulate the equalized data.
- 1 33. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 32, wherein the demodulator is configured  
2 to process the equalized data using a fast Fourier transfer algorithm and the set of one  
3 or more coefficients is selected to compensate for round off errors attributable to the  
4 use of the finite precision arithmetic to implement the fast Fourier transfer algorithm.
- 1 34. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, further comprising a finite impulse  
2 response (FIR) filter configured to process the receive data.
- 1 35. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 34, wherein the received data is modulated  
2 using discrete multitone modulation and a set of one or more (FIR) coefficients for  
3 the FIR filter is selected to maximize the number of bits used to represent each  
4 discrete multitone symbol in the equalizer.
- 1 36. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, further comprising an analog-to-digital  
2 converter configured to process the received data and the set of one or more  
3 coefficients is further selected to account for quantization noise in the analog-to-  
4 digital converter.
- 1 37. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, further comprising a coefficient  
2 generator for generating the set of one or more coefficients.
- 1 38. (NEW) The apparatus as recited in Claim 26, wherein the communications channel is  
2 one or more twisted pair telephone lines.

- 1 39. (NEW) A computer-readable medium carrying coefficient data that represents a set of  
2 one or more coefficients that are selected to account for a frequency domain response  
3 of an equalizer when the coefficients are used with an algorithm to equalize received  
4 data from a communications channel, wherein the received data is based upon both  
5 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel and the  
6 modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one or more carriers.
- 1 40. (NEW) A method for generating coefficient data comprising the computer-  
2 implemented step of generating coefficient data that represents a set of one or more  
3 coefficients that are selected to account for a frequency domain response of an  
4 equalizer when the coefficients are used with an algorithm to equalize received data  
5 from a communications channel, wherein the received data is based upon both  
6 modulated data and distortion introduced by the communications channel and the  
7 modulated data is the result of original data modulated onto one or more carriers.
- 1 41. (NEW) An apparatus for generating coefficient data comprising:  
2 a storage medium for storing the coefficient data; and  
3 a coefficient generator configured to generate the coefficient data, wherein the  
4 coefficient data represents a set of one or more coefficients that are selected to  
5 account for a frequency domain response of an equalizer when the coefficients  
6 are used with an algorithm to equalize received data from a communications  
7 channel, wherein the received data is based upon both modulated data and  
8 distortion introduced by the communications channel and the modulated data  
9 is the result of original data modulated onto one or more carriers.